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ALMA

Improvements are continually in evidence around the property. For instance, a group of Theologian carpenters, directed by Mr. Perri of Oregon, laid a scalloped-edge red tar-paper roof on Fruit Bowl villa cabin, located in the orchard below Villa Joseph. Also, the interior of China Cabin was repainted by Messrs. Poole and Fallert (Ore.) and J. Kelly.

Through the initiative of Mr. Kelly, Front Lake has received a trimming. After the Lake, which is eighteen feet deep, had been emptied to half depth, a crew of weeders raked in the thriving millfoil and algae at the water's edge. Then with grubbing tools they attacked the deep-rooted bur reeds and cattails which were flourishing along the upper rim of the Lake. Now the Lake looks neater and has been filled again.

To be installed near the edge of Front Lake, in an artistic log shrine constructed by Mr. Tupy and landscaped by Bro. Straub, is a newly arrived statue of St. Ignatius. It came from Italy in mid-February, the gift of an anonymous benefactor. Carved in wood, it is a three-foot replica of a statue at Loyola University.

A major addition to the Village is the new tailor shop being built just across the road from the old one. The cement floor has been poured and carpentering is well advanced. The Alma Bindery will expand into the present tailor shop.

As the community was returning from Litanies on Jan. 31, they discovered a fire in a first-floor room. So quickly did the fire crews, directed by Chief Michael Collins (Ore.), rush into action that the flames were restricted to one room and soon put out. The damaged walls have been redone with sheetrock, which is crackproof and sound-resistant. Also, it doesn't burn.

Among the guest speakers at Alma during the last month was Fr. Ralph Brown of the China Mission. On Jan. 28 he gave a detailed account of the problems caused by Chinese inflation, which comes like a thief in the night. He also dwelt at length on other problems of the Mission.

The Academy on Teaching High School Religion brought in Fr. Fader of St. Ignatius High to talk on practical classroom techniques in teaching religion to freshmen. This was on Feb. 4. A week later, Fr. Colosimo of Bel-larmine spoke on teaching religion to sophomores.

Fr. Zacheus Maher, jubilarian and retreatmaster at El Retiro, was a guest here on the evening of Feb. 20. After dinner he gave a talk to the Fourth Year Fathers on effective ways of adapting the Spiritual Exercises to three-day retreats.

Fr. Daniel Higgins, C.S.S.R., pioneer missionary worker among the deaf for the past fifty years, spoke to the Theologians at noon on Feb. 21. His topic was "Moral and Pastoral Problems of the Deaf."

In an exhortation to the community on Jan. 20, Fr. Joseph Howard pointed out how highly the Pope, Father General and Father Provincial esteem the Sodality and how much they expect from it. The next day Fr. Howard held colloquies with Theologians interested in Sodality matters. During evening recreation he led a discussion on "How freely may a Sodality director change the Rules?"

Among the Alma professors who spoke off campus recently was Fr. Donnelly. He was the speaker at the Second Annual Midwinter Dinner Meeting of the Catholic Physicians Guild of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, held at the University Club in Los Angeles on Jan. 29. The Guild is

an archiepiscopal organization, and His Excellency, Archbishop J. Francis A. McIntyre, was present during the meeting. Four of the doctors present each read out one complex medical case, then Fr. Donnelly spent twelve minutes or so on each case, discussing the morality of certain suggested treatments. A question period followed.

On Feb. 15, Fr. John Curran conducted a "casus scripturistiscus" at USF, at a meeting held in the Gleeson Library.

Mid-year job changes put Mr. Reichmann (Ore.) in charge of the Sodality Academy, succeeding Fr. Marien.

Holidays enjoyed recently were Jan. 17, Father Rector's Day, and Feb. 2, Last Vow Day for Fr. Mara and Bros. Stump and Quirin. Among the guests on Vow Day were Fr. Carroll O'Sullivan and Fr. Wm. Monihan of USF, and

Bro. Gosselin from Los Gatos. The school holiday in honor of Last Vows was taken on Feb. 7.

On Jan. 16 the Bellarmine faculty and Scholastics took over Random House for an inter-semester picnic, to which all ex-Bellarmino teachers now at Alma were invited.

Among the fruits of the labors of the Mexican Mission catechists, who work under Fr. Louis Kern of Holy Family Parish, is the fact that about 150 Mexican people come to Sunday Mass at the Jackson Street center. This building, a former Portuguese meeting hall in San Jose, was opened early in January. The plywood altar being used there was constructed by Mr. R. Mueller (Ore.). Messrs. McHugh (Ore.), Dodd, and R. Shaules installed a confessional, kneelers, and drapes.

AZUSA

During January but two retreats were held, because of Christmas holidays. They were given by Frs. Whelan and Vaughan. Near-capacity crowds continue, thanks to the zealous work of our contact man, Fr. Thos. Sullivan.

Jan. 10. Fr. Mende from Germany, an economist studying American industry on a scholarship supplied by the U. S. Government, stayed a few days so as to visit an old fellow-novice, Fr. Edelman, in the nearby Monrovia Sanitarium. The two men had not met in fourteen years.

Jan. 15. Fr. Whelan gave the Holy Hour to a group of women auxiliaries at the Convent of the Helpers of the Holy Souls. On the same day, Fr. O'Mara, then giving a mission near Azusa, was our guest for a day.

Jan. 16. Two Novices, Bros. R. Morris and Williams, arrived for a month's experiment.

Jan. 22. Frs. Dondero and Charvet were our guests for a few hours, the latter having come from Los Gatos to bring back

Bro. Schenk, now well on the road to health after some two years at the Monrovia Sanitarium.

Jan. 24. Fr. Whelan began an eight-day retreat for the English-speaking members of the Third Order Carmelite Community at Alhambra. Fr. Silva from San Diego had just completed a similar retreat in Spanish. On the same day Fr. Vaughan addressed the KC's at Montrose.

Jan. 25. A capacity crowd came for the week-end retreat, most of them from Las Vegas, not however from the gambling houses. The group was organized chiefly through the efforts of Fr. Odou. During this retreat one man had an epileptic fit at 6:30 a.m., fell, bumped his head on a door hinge and lost a lot of blood. He had to be rushed in a car to the doctor to have his scalp sewed up. But alas, the breakfast eggs were in the back of that car. Short rations that morning.

Jan. 28. Fr. Vaughan left to give a retreat at El Retiro.

Dec. 16. A most successful Christmas party for the parents was arranged by the Guild. The Dads presented to Father Rector (T. Cosgrave) a check for \$3000, and the Mothers one for \$1500 for the building fund.

Dec. 28. Father Minister (D. Walsh) was host to the Scholastics from San Francisco and Santa Clara. He arranged a special dinner and an evening of entertainment.

Jan. 14. The Dads Club party netted \$1250.

Jan. 25-27. The Mothers put on an unusually successful rummage sale.

Feb. 3. The debaters and public speakers from Bellarmine, under Mr. Swain's direction, won four trophies at St. Mary's College. Bellarmine competed against 20 high schools and won the biggest prize of all, the Debating Sweepstakes Trophy.

Feb. 5-9. The students conducted a magazine subscription drive in order to buy a new school bus. They received 50% of the subscription price for Curtis publications and 30% for other subscriptions. In a similar drive Gonzaga High of Spokane had sold over \$10,000 worth of subscriptions. The Bellarmine effort is not yet completed.

Feb. 8. Fr. Mara of Alma gave the sophomores an excellent talk on the Mass.

Feb. 8-11. The Dads Club held its annual retreat at El Retiro. Of 85 retreatants, 65 were from Bellarmine.

Varia: Mr. Wright's Inter-City basketball team won the first-half championship. Two debating teams defeated Notre Dame High. Fr. Charles Leahy's book, "Teen," is selling well and is being most favorably reviewed in current periodicals. Fr. Fennell preached the Forty Hours at St. Clare's, Fr. Vincent Doherty the Forty Hours at St. Joseph's. Fr. Corvi attended the Catholic educational meeting in Los Angeles during the Christmas holidays. He also gave a day of recollection to public high school girls at Holy Family Convent in San Jose.

Fr. Pettid is giving a Lenten course in Campbell. Frs. Doherty and Flynn have been signed up for Tre Ore's in Klamath Falls and at St. Patrick's in San Jose, respectively. Other Lenten assignments will come in later.

Bellarmine is helping Civil Defense in the following ways: Father Minister is Air Warden; two Red Cross First Aid courses are being given on the campus; Fr. Gruye is associated with an Amateur Radio Unit that is building 10-meter sets for use by Civil Defense; our gymnasium is to be used for public meetings of the district.

Sodality Report: On Feb. 2 about 20 probationers were received into the Sodality in a very impressive ceremony. Father Rector was the celebrant and Fr. D. O'Gara received the students.

At Santa Clara on Feb. 4, Fr. McCauliffe held a day of recollection for all the Sodalists. His simple and clear talks were enthusiastically received.

The Apostolic Committee (Mr. Enright, moderator), prepares 20 student catechists to teach in the poorer sections of San Jose and in Cupertino; they work in conjunction with the Holy Family Sisters. Our Lady's Committee (Mr. O'Hara) has enrolled members of the student body in the Scapular Medal. Each month the attendance at First Saturday devotions has been increasing. The Mission Committee (Mr. Wright) passes a Mission mite-box around to each class for pennies and nickels sacrificed during Lent; this group also collects stamps for the missions.

To the Sacred Heart Committee (Mr. Herzberg) was due Fr. Mara's excellent and very clear talk on the Mass, given to increase attendance at daily Mass. This committee encourages devotion to the Holy Ghost by posters and talks before semester examinations, promotes the Stations of the Cross, and fosters attendance at daily Mass by announcing special Mass intentions for each day. These intentions are explained by Fr. O'Gara and by different Scholastics each day of the school week.

Feb. 1. Austin Morris, brother of the Junior, John Morris, and of the Novice Richard Morris, and Robert Sunderland entered the Novitiate as scholastic novices.

Feb. 2. Bro. Thomas E. Berney pronounced his First Vows.

Feb. 9. Fr. McKey was operated on at O'Connor's Hospital for a knee injury.

Feb. 10. Fr. Zacheus Maher gave the domestic exhortation this evening, on some recollections of a Jesuit jubilarian.

Feb. 17. William Nolan entered the Novitiate as a scholastic novice. The novices finished their bi-annual triduum under the direction of Father Master.

Feb. 18. The decision went to the negative in the opening debate of the second semester on the military aid phase of the Hoover Foreign Policy Program. General plan of the question was that we should not help European countries until they take some definite measures to show

their willingness to fight on our side.

Feb. 20. Raymond Hall entered the Novitiate as a scholastic novice.

The contractors have finished the plastering work in the new kitchen and the Brothers have begun work on the electrical installing of equipment. On Feb. 19, the concrete floor was poured for the workmen's new dining room, which will be located under the new kitchen and adjoining the old.

Lenten work has started at Villa Joseph, this year for both the Juniors and the Novices. The Novices are clearing the trees from along the road up to villa and repairing the roads themselves. The Juniors are wrapped up in the usual general repairs around Villa proper, e.g. painting the kitchen, renovating the hot water system; the bar-b-que pit is undergoing a face-lifting, necessitated by the damage suffered during the early winter rains.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Our school play, "The Hasty Heart," staged at the Catholic Women's Club on Feb. 2, 3 and 4, was considered a great success. A special matinee was given at Saint Mary's Academy for the Sisters of the Archdiocese.

Howard LeVaux, senior, placed eighth in the National Hearst History contest. The school library received \$100 worth of history books because of his success.

The school paper, the "Loyalist," was awarded first-class honor rating by the National Scholastic Press Association.

On Feb. 2 the University faculty members held sessions at the High School to interest fourth year students in their curriculum. Fr. Casassa was one of the main speakers. Fr. Joseph Donovan of the Law School addressed the prospective lawyers.

Seven students of fourth year won Naval R.O.T.C. scholarships.

Fr. William Donnelly, of Alma, while in Los Angeles to address the Catholic Physicians Guild, kindly consented to act as a judge at our Freshman Elocution contest.

Frs. Lynch, Conneally and G. Crowley are giving Lenten series in two of the parishes.

Bro. Desjardins and a workman have made and installed two new altars in the domestic chapel.

Fr. Madden had a severe heart attack and his condition is still serious.

The flu bug made its appearance among the High School faculty and student body. Fathers Principal (Sausotte) and Minister (Morley), as well as several others, were hospitalized.

Frs. Devlin and J. Duggan have been working diligently to clear the athletic field of all obstructions and debris. They have been assisted on Saturdays by members of the "jug class" as their guests.

Through the efforts of Fr. Parish from the University and Mr. Dempsey of the High School, a three-day mission is being conducted in our chapel for the deaf of the city. Fr. Daniel Higgins, C.S.S.R., is delivering the talks in sign language.

Feb. 6. Fr. D. F. X. Finnegan addressed members of the Mount St. Mary's faculty on the subject, "Organizing a College Guidance Program." Father also spoke to the Mothers Guild of the University on "College and Vocational Guidance."

Members of the senior class who are taking their degrees in the Department of Education, will begin their annual testing program in the secondary schools on Feb. 27. The principals of the schools at which this service was offered last year were very complimentary and are happy to have the Education Department extend the same service to them this year.

This semester the Education Department is conducting directed teaching by its students on the elementary level in a local elementary school. At the same time 22 students are engaged in directed teaching on the high school level.

Feb. 21 was Loyola University Day at Loyola High School. The day was begun with a series of talks by Fr. President (Casassa), Fr. Corbett, and Col. Pope of the AROTC to members of the senior class. Later the heads of the various university departments and their assistants gave personal guidance to individual seniors according to their vocational interests.

Fr. Harold Ryan, head of the English Department and Graduate School, and his departmental assistants were requested to act as final judges in the Daily News Essay Contest on Brazilian and U.S. Relations. The contest was sponsored by the Brazilian gov-

ernment in cooperation with the Daily News. First and second prizes are round trips to Rio de Janeiro, where the lucky winners will be guests of the Brazilian government for a week.

Fr. Connolly, Academic Vice-President of the University, attended the recent special meeting of college representatives of the National Catholic Educational Association, which met at Palmer House in Chicago, Feb. 13-15. The purpose of the meeting was to work out a national program for Catholic colleges during the present emergency.

On Monday evening, Feb. 12, the Loyola University Male Chorus won first prize in a county-wide choral contest sponsored by the Los Angeles Bureau of Music. On Sunday, Feb. 17, the same group, with members of the Loyola University Mixed Chorus, were featured guests on the Don Lee Broadcasting system program, "College Choirs of the Nation."

On Feb. 16 and 17, members of Loyola's upper and lower division debating teams participated in the Championship Debate Tournament at Cal-Tech. Seventy debating teams representing 28 schools from the states of Utah, Arizona and California participated.

Father Rector (Casassa) and prominent civic leaders interested in the cultural development of Los Angeles will appear in a movie and television short to be released April 3. On this day begins the city-wide bond campaign to raise money for the proposed Los Angeles Civic Auditorium and Music Center.

MOUNT ST. MICHAEL'S

Jan. 20. A three-act play was produced by the Philosophers under the direction of Mr. Fahrner (Cal.).

Very Rev. Fr. Provincial (Small), who had arrived on Jan. 15, closed his visitation of the House on the 29th. A holiday in his honor was declared on the feast of St. John Chrysostom.

Feb. 2. Father Minister (E. Lindenkugel) and Bro. M. Paquet took Last Vows.

Feb. 4-6. As is customary each year at the Mount, Exposition of

the Blessed Sacrament was held on the three days of Carnival, just before Ash Wednesday.

Feb. 10. Bro. O'Shea returned from Sacred Heart Hospital after five weeks spent recuperating from leg surgery.

Word was received that the third-year Oregonians will begin a ten-day period of cadet teaching at Gonzaga High before Easter. This will be necessary to qualify for high school teaching in Washington.

ST. JOSEPH'S, SAN JOSE

Jan. 15. Very Rev. Fr. Provincial (J. O'Brien) made his visitation, beginning at 3 p.m. and ending at 5:30.

Jan. 20. A Solemn High Mass of thanksgiving was sung to commemorate the centenary of the establishment of the Notre Dame Order in San Jose. Fr. Ring was celebrant, Fr. Manning of St. Leo's, deacon, and Fr. Budde, sub-deacon. Special preacher for the occasion was Fr. John McGloin. The entire Mass was sung by 600 school children. Both the sermon and the Mass were recorded on tape by Station KXRX and were replayed over the air on Sunday evening, Jan. 21. Present in the sanctuary during the Mass were 38 priests.

Feb. 5. Fr. John McIntosh, Ter-tian, arrived to help in the parish during Lent.

The Parish Carnival was held on Feb. 4, 5 and 6. A very heavy rain in the afternoon and at night on the last day spoiled the attendance.

Wednesday evening sermons during Lent are being given by Fr. Earley, Sunday nights by Fr. McIntosh. There are Stations every day during Lent at 12:10, and three times on Fridays. Also, an extra Mass is offered daily at 9.

The Forty Hours Devotion opened on Sunday, Feb. 11, with a Solemn High Mass and procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Vincent Doherty of Bellarmine was the special preacher.

SAN FRANCISCO

University

Father President (Wm. Dunne) attended an executive meeting of the NCEA and JEA in Chicago.

Nearly 766 persons attended the annual Alumni Banquet at the Fairmont Hotel.

The Jesuit Mothers held a desert bridge in the University to raise funds to defray expenses of the breakfast for the ordinandi who are not from San Francisco.

The Loyola Guild held its annual rummage sale, the proceeds of which go to scholarships.

High School

"Inside S.I.," the school weekly, is now being published in a slightly larger format which has been well received by the students.

Feb. 5. The second group of seniors left for their retreat at El Retiro. This second retreat was conducted by Fr. Richard O'Rourke.

Feb. 6. The freshman elocution contest was held in the USF auditorium.

The Time-style news-quarterly, "The Ignatian," has been abandoned in favor of a literary quarterly which will be under the guidance of Mr. Prussing. It is felt that this new magazine will give the students more opportunities to express themselves in a literary fashion and will also en-

hance the reputation of the school.

During Lent, morning Mass and noon Rosary and Stations of the Cross are held daily in our chapel. The attendance of the students is very gratifying.

Under the direction of Fr. Joseph King, the Mission mite-boxes are passed around each day with excellent results.

Feb. 19. The varsity basketball team won first place in the City League. The 130-pound team, coached by Mr. Hagan, tied for first in the League.

Feb. 18. Fr. Wm. Finnegan and General Stokes (Chief of Staff, Sixth Army) presided at the annual awarding of medals to the ROTC students of the High School. Among the medal winners was Gen. Stokes' son, a sophomore student.

Church

Fr. Zacheus Maher is giving the first four of the Wednesday evening Lenten sermons.

Fr. Joseph O'Gara preached for the devotions of the Forty Hours.

Many members of the community are giving Lenten courses at various parish churches in the diocese.

Several members of the community were hospitalized or at least incapacitated by the recent flu epidemic.

At the end of the first semester the student body had been reduced by about 75, some 20 young men having joined the armed forces. Fr. Von der Ahe, dean of men, reports that five have begun studies for the priesthood: William Nolan of Los Angeles, Sacred Heart Novitiate; Con J. Kelly of Butte, Montana, and Richard Cutler of Visalia, diocesan seminary; David Viera of Escalon, Capuchins; James Furlong of Vernon, Franciscans.

Jan. 20. Fathers of the community were present at the Centenary Mass of the Notre Dame Sisters at St. Joseph's Church in San Jose.

Jan. 22. Semester tests were conducted in all departments of the University. Inter-semester vacations began on the 25th.

Jan. 27. Fr. Zacheus Maher of Los Altos celebrated Mass in the community Domestic Chapel on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his entrance into the Society of Jesus. Immediate relatives were present. On the 29th, many of the Fathers of the community attended Fr. Maher's Jubilee Banquet in the Los Altos Retreat House.

Feb. 1. Annual pre-lenten social for the faculty members and their wives took place in the Seifert Lounge.

Feb. 2. Feast of the Visitation of the B.V.M. At the 7 o'clock Mass, Fr. Edmund Burke of the Chicago Province pronounced his last vows.

Feb. 4. Quinquagesima Sunday. A special day of recollection was conducted on the University campus for Sodality members of Bellarmine Preparatory School, by Fr. McAuliffe of USF.

Feb. 5. Registration of students for the ensuing semester began in all departments of the University. On Ash Wednesday, Feb. 7, classes resumed.

An extra Mass at 7:30 was added to accommodate day scholars during the Lenten season. According to a report of the chaplain, over one half of the student body receives Holy Communion daily in the Mission Church.

Feb. 8. A general meeting of the members of the faculty of the University was held in Adobe Lodge at 4 o'clock, followed by dinner in the community refectory.

Feb. 11. Father President (Gianera) left for Chicago to attend a meeting of the National Catholic Educational Association.

Feb. 15. The water from the newly constructed well on the southwest corner of the campus was released for use in the various buildings of the University.

SODALITY

Feb. 10-11. The officers or their substitutes of the three University Sodalities, Loyola, Santa Clara and San Francisco met for two days of recollection and discussion. They had three meditations each day given by Fr. Cody, and three discussions each day led, on the first day by George Keenan of Santa Clara, and on the second day by John Green of Loyola. Of note were the earnestness of the Sodalists in the discussions which were always prolonged after adjournment, and the fact that the Directors did not take part in the

discussions, in fact were not present for most of them.

The conference took place on the Santa Clara campus.

Feb. 12. Fr. Howard gave a talk on "The Sodality and the Apostolic Constitution" to the Sisters of Notre Dame in San Jose.

Feb. 20. Fr. Howard gave a slide lecture on Fatima and Lourdes to the Bellarmine Sodality.

Feb. 25. A meeting of the Officers of the four Sodality Divisions of Loyola High with the Province Secretary of the Sodality.

SUFFRAGES

The usual suffrages of the Society are to be offered for the soul of Fr. John P. Madden, S.J., who died in Los Angeles on Feb. 21 in the 71st year of his life and his 56th year in the Society.

RECENT DEATHS

Fr. Timothy J. Coughlin, S.J., on
Feb. 13 at Bayonne, N.J.

Fr. Howard H. Finnegan, S.J., on
Jan. 24 at Miami, Fla.
